# General Environmental Incident Summary

Incident: 1835 Date/Time Notice: 12/13/2012 0740 DEM Incident No:

Responsible Party: Triple N Transport

Date Incident: 12/11/2012 Time Incident: 0900 Duration: 30 minutes

County: Bottineau Twp: 162 Rng: 82 Sec: 28 Qtr: NE

Lat: 48.82821 Long: -101.31090 Method: Derived from TRS

Location Description: 500' west of intersection of HWY 256 and 98th st NW; South side of 98th,

take driveway to old gravel pit. This place is built next to it.

Submitted By: Chris Karalius Affiliation:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Received By:

Contact Person: Ross Pickar

5 Main st N.

Berthold, ND 58718

Distance Nearest Occupied Building: 500 Feet

Type of Incident: Tank Overflow

Description of Released Contaminant: 28% liquid nitrogen fertilizer

Volume Spilled: 2500.00 gallons Ag Related: Yes

EPA Extremely Hazardous Substance: No Reported to NRC: Unknown

#### Cause of Incident:

the tank level site glass was inoperable due to the top gate valve on site glass being closed resulting in inaccurate liquid level reading. the chemical came out of the top of the tank in to the incomplete containment area and spilling on to soil outside of the containment area.

#### Risk Evaluation:

None

# of Fatalities: 0 # of Injuries: 0 Affected Medium: 03 - soil

# Potential Environmental Impacts:

possible water impact. Both surface and water table due to elevated nitrate levels

## Action Taken or Planned:

temp berms where built to stop the flow and soil was placed on puddles to absorb free standing chemical. all impacted snow and soil was scrapped up and put on polly inside a temp containment. Kris Roberts from the state health dept advised us and the land owner that due to the close proximity to two water sources and a fresh water well that supplies at least two household, we need to move the tanks and dig out the containment area and surrounding area and rebuild the chemical containment area replace the tanks and refill them with the original product.

Wastes Disposal Location: all impacted material will be disposed of at Clean Harbors in sawyer

## Agencies Involved:

## **Updates**

Date: 12/13/2012 Status: Inspection Author: Roberts, Kris

## **Updated Volume:**

#### Notes:

Location inspected. Photos taken. Recommendation is to move tanks off contaminated pad and remove all contaminated materials from site. Immediately adjacent abandoned gravel pit, pond and associated private drinking water well at risk otherwise. Farmer leasing land, transporter responsible for release and insurance company in communication. Awaiting decision.

Date: 2/11/2013 Status: Inspection Author: Roberts, Kris

## **Updated Volume:**

#### Notes:

Talked this date with Earthmovers. All contaminated material above line and the liner has been removed. Using field test kits and laboratory confirmation to excavate impacted areas below the liner. So far, hot spots have been excavated to between 2 and 4 feet below the liner lever. Confirmation samples sent to laboratory should be back in next few days and any further excavation indicated will be done then.

Samples collected from private well to the northwest came back from NDDoH Laboratory clean. Additional sample bottles for nitrate analysis will be sent to nearby homeowner to be collected every 2 months through October, 2013, at no charge other than postage.

Date: 2/14/2013 Status: Inspection Author: Roberts, Kris

#### **Updated Volume:**

#### Notes:

Earthmovers contracted to remove all contaminated materials, including liner and any underlying contaminated soil. According to nearby neighbor, equipment still removing and hauling material from the location.

Date: 11/18/2013 Status: Correspondence Author: Roberts, Kris

## **Updated Volume:**

## Notes:

Talked with home owner. All semi-monthly results so far are negative for fertilizer compounds in the we private water supply well. However, to provide peace of mind, DoH will continue semi-monthly analysis through June, 2014.